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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATION OF OPERATING SUPPORT COSTS

REF: STATE 002362

1. AMOUNT OF FUNDS ALREADY OBLIGATED BUT NOT YET EXPENDED IS \$5,000. THIS INCLUDES \$500 FROM FIRST QUARTER AND \$4,500 FROM SECOND QUARTER. THE SHORTAGE OF DEA AGENT PERSONNEL HAS BEEN THE LARGEST SINGLE REASON THAT THESE PREVIOUSLY OBLIGATED FUNDS HAVE NOT BEEN EXPENDED.

2. THE ONLY AGENCY IN ECUADOR CURRENTLY RECEIVING OPERATING SUPPORT FUNDS IS THE NARCOTICS SECTION OF THE ECUADORIAN NATIONAL POLICE. INCREASED INTEREST BY THE CUSTOMS MILITARY POLICE IN NARCOTICS INTERDICTION WARRANTS EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITIES OF AIDING THEIR EFFORTS WITH THE FUNDS.

3. OPERATING SUPPORT COST FUNDS FOR SECOND HALF OF FY 76 SHOULD AMOUNT TO \$6,000 PER QUARTER, TO BE DISTRIBUTED EVENLY BETWEEN THE DEA DISTRICT OFFICE AT QUITO AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE IN GUAYAQUIL. PROPOSED CHANGES IN STAFFING THE NATIONAL POLICE NARCOTICS UNIT IN THESE MAJOR CITIES AND INCREASED LIAISON WITH PROVINCIAL UNITS WILL JUSTIFY THE

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QUARTERLY INCREASE. THE IMMINENT ADDITION OF DEA AGENT

PERSONNEL TO ECUADOR WILL BE A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR TOWARD
ENCOURAGING INVESTIGATIONS AND INTERDICTIONS WHICH WILL,
IN PART, BE SUPPLEMENTED BY THESE FUNDS.
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